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From: Snyder, Raquel

Sent: Fri 1/10/2014 8:50:20 PM **Subject:** RE: Have you taken an inquiries

Still waiting to hear back from R3 on Rock/Manchin but this update just came in from them:

West Virginia American Water Co is collecting water samples. Labs at local DuPont plant and the WVDHHR Bureau for Public Health are running the samples, taken from a variety of locations. (DuPont worked last night to develop and share a method to detect this material in water.)

WVDEP has the lead at the moment. FEMA is assisting (providing and siting potable water buffalos in various areas, coordinating with the state Office of Emergency Services and local volunteer fire departments. EPA is on the ground at the site to document and provide technical assistance - EPA has not been formally requested to engage by the state. DEP has asked EPA to set up air monitoring (PID) photo ionization detection.

A threat was registered against the site facility by phone around 12:30 today and Kanawha County deputies and FBI responded on site and swept the area.

A vac truck is being brought to the facility by barge to collect material contained around the spill site before rains arrive later tonight.

At this point the water company appears to have the lead on public communications with periodic press conferences.

Many thanks,

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From Manchin or Rockefeller's office on WV spill. If not, I may reach out.

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